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The Latest State Library BY TELEGRAPH.

Last Night's Report.

From Grant's Army

A Salute of 100 Guns in Honor of Thomas' Victory.

Skirmishing along the Line.

NEWS BY REBEL PAPERS.

FROM THOMAS.

Our Total Wounded in the Battle is but 2,000.

We Captured Sixty-one Pieces of Artillery from Hood.

FROM SHERMAN'S ARMY.

Particulars of the Capture of Fort McAllister.

FROM COLUMBUS.

Ohio's Quota to be 30,000.

CONGRESSIONAL.

The Vice-Admiral Bill Passed.

President's Proclamation.

FROM COLUMBUS.

Nothing has been heard here to-day relative to the new call announced by Secretary Stanton, other than a dispatch from Provost Marshal General Fry to Colonel Wilcox, directing him to make immediate preparations to execute the draft if the men are not raised within the time allowed.

Ohio's quota will be about 30,000, upon which there will be credited an excess of 4,000 on previous calls. Districts that are deficient will not receive the benefit of this credit, as it will only go to those which have furnished the excess.

If the people will only go to work at once, and with a determination to get out of the woods, the entire quota of the State can be filled without much difficulty, as there has not been a better time to recruit than now within the last eighteen months. Hundreds of volunteers are returning home daily, and will gladly re-enter the service if encouraged by liberal bonuses.

Surgeon General Barr, with a corps of nurses has gone to Nashville to look after the Ohio wounded.

Representative Scott, of Warren County, was in the city to-day. It is now generally conceded that the contest for the Speakership lies between him and Mr. Babeo, representative for Cuyahoga County.

Governor Brough is now absent from the city and will not return until next week.

SECOND DISPATCH.

(Special Dispatch to the Cleveland Leader.)

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS STATE OF OHIO, ADVANCE GENERAL OFFICE, COLUMBUS, Dec. 20, 1864.

Under the pending call for three hundred thousand men, the quotas to the several States will be assigned in a few days. After the assignment of quotas, any correction of the enrollment will not effect a deduction of said quotas. In this connection attention is respectfully invited to the circular issued from this office on the 1st inst., relative to a correction of the enrollment. But few days remain in which to complete the work in hand, and no time should be lost in procuring it. Let all persons interested, make it their business for the ensuing ten days, to see that the enrollment of their sub-District is rendered, at least, approximately correct.

B. R. COWLES, Adjutant General of Ohio.

Associated Press Report

FROM THE POTOMAC ARMY.

HEADQUARTERS POTOMAC ARMY, WASHINGTON, Dec. 19, 1864.

There is little of interest to report from this army. Our commanders seem to be waiting for the result of Sherman's operations, as well as those of the fleet which lately sailed from Fort Monroe.

A good deal of heavy firing has been going on in Dutch Gap Canal during the past few days.

In front of Petersburg the enemy, a day or two ago, opened a new 100-pound gun and have since been industriously engaged in throwing shells at the river train, as they pass a certain point of the road in full view of their gunners, but they have done no damage whatever, nor are they likely to do so unless they show more accuracy.

This morning a salute of one hundred guns was fired in honor of the great victory of Thomas over Hood. The rebels suddenly threw a few shells in reply, but they did no damage.

Last night the pickets on the right of the line were very active, keeping up an exchange of compliments all night.

(Signed) W. D. McCREA.

CONGRESSIONAL.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.

Mr. Sherman, from the Committee on Finance, reported the House bill to extend the time allowed for the withdrawal of cer- tain gold therein named from the public stores, and was passed.

Mr. Wilson introduced a bill to increase the number of cadets at the West Point Military Academy. It provides that here- after the President shall appoint in addi- tion to the number already authorized, two cadets from each State and fifty from per- sons who have served not less than one year in the army. No person shall be ad- mitted who is less than seventeen, or more than twenty years of age. The standard of admission is raised by an increase of studies, in which applicants for admission must be proficient. The bill was referred to the Military Committee.

Mr. Grimes, from the Naval Committee, introduced a bill to create the office of Vice Admiral in the Navy. It provides that the Vice Admiral shall be selected from the active list of Rear Admirals, and shall be ranking officer of the United States Navy. His relative rank will be that of the army shall be that of Lieutenant General. His pay shall be \$7,000 per an- num when at sea, \$4,000 when on shore duty, and \$3,000 when waiting orders. The bill was passed.

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FROM NEW ORLEANS.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 13.

Advice from the blockading squadron of the 10th inst., that during the week ending the 9th inst., six blockade runners, captured on the coast of Texas. The capture of the steamship Sonora is mentioned.

Yellow fever has been an epidemic at Galveston, and mortality is very great. The price money of Mobile Bay amounts to one year's pay for every man engaged in the fight.

No transactions in cotton. Sugar, 23c @ Molasses, 12c @.

FROM TENNESSEE.

NASHVILLE, Dec. 20.

An officer of General Sherman's staff, just from General Thomas's headquarters, arrived last night. Our forces were then at Spring Hill, near Columbia.

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